



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Reply, Please Refer to the Application of:

WEEKS et al.

Serial No.: 09/055,145

Filed: April 3, 1998

Atty. File No.: 3553-18

For: "METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR
MAKING AND USING TRANSGENIC
DICAMBA-DEGRADING ORGANISMS"

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of four (4) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on March 10, 2003, with respect to the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal and a Request for a three month extension of time, with the requisite fees, were filed on September 10, 2003, thereby extending the period for response from September 10, 2003, to November 10, 2003. This Request extends the time for response from November 10, 2003 to March 10, 2004.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,480.00 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Respectfully submitted,

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